HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. _____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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Whereas, "Wilderness Plots" is a collection of songs and stories inspired by the settlement history of the Ohio River Valley between the American Revolution and the Civil War;

Whereas, The idea for the "Wilderness Plots" program of stories, readings, and music came from a fascination with the characters described in Scott Russell Sanders' book, "Wilderness Plots";

Whereas, Tim Grimm and fellow Indiana songwriters Krista Detor, Carrie Newcomer, Tom Roznowski, and Michael White wrote songs for the program that capture the realities, ironies, and aspirations of early pioneer life;

Whereas, The "Wilderness Plots" program offers a look at the creative collaboration between these artists and their reaction to the writing of Scott Russell Sanders;

Whereas, "Wilderness Plots" author Scott Russell Sanders, a distinguished professor of English at Indiana University, has written more than 20 books, including novels, collections of stories, and works of personal nonfiction, and his book "A Private History of Awe" was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize;

Whereas, Recording artist Krista Detor has received worldwide accolades for her musical releases and has been



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featured at the Cannes Film Festival and on NPR, PBS, and the BBC;

Whereas, Stage, film, and television actor and award winning songwriter Tim Grimm has recorded songs that have established him as a unique voice in folk and American music;

Whereas, Singer-songwriter Carrie Newcomer has released 12 critically acclaimed albums, has received numerous awards, including Artist of the Year and Album of the Year, and in 2009 was invited by The American Center of the American Embassy in India to represent the United States as a cultural ambassador:

Whereas, Writer and performer Tom Roznowski has created over 450 episodes of the "Hometown" series for public radio, encompassing his observation of the American experience, and the public television special he created, "Hometown: A Journey Through Terre Haute, Indiana", was nominated for a regional Emmy award;

Whereas, Michael White has produced four albums of his songs, has been a finalist in a Musician Magazine's competition, has written songs that have been covered by leading artists, and continues to write songs and score music for television;

Whereas, "Wilderness Plots" director Jan Lucas-Grimm is an accomplished playwright, actor, and songwriter and has acted in numerous productions at the Indiana Repertory Theatre and Chicago's Steppenwolf and Goodman Theatres;

Whereas, "Wilderness Plots", the cast, and the crew embody the rich history and artistic excellence of the State of Indiana: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes the



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many talented people who interacted to produce the "Wilderness Plots", a program of stories, readings, and music, and Scott Russell Sanders for his many contributions to the educational system of our state and the hours of genuine pleasure he has given his many readers throughout the years.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Scott Russell Sanders, Krista Detor, Carrie Newcomer, Tim Grimm, Tom Roznowski, Michael White, Jan Lucas-Grimm, and Debbie Lemon, director for Hoosiers for Higher Education.



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